

House Resolution No. 3984

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has wholeheartedly dedicated his life in service to the Lord; and

Whereas, Ernest Deatrick, a treasured resident of Wyaconda, Missouri, will officially retire from his position as Pastor of Wyaconda First Baptist Church on July 17, 2005, after a rewarding career in the ministry that has spanned an incredible sixty years; and

Whereas, Pastor Deatrick commenced his career in ministry as pastor of Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church and moved on to serve as pastor of various Baptist Churches, including Antioch Bear Creek, Harmony Grove, Arbela Mt. Zion, Providence, Memphis, and Kirksville prior to assuming his current responsibilities at Wyaconda First Baptist Church; and

Whereas, Pastor Deatrick has distinguished himself by performing over 2,300 funerals and more than 240 weddings; and

Whereas, in addition, Pastor Deatrick had the honor and privilege of being asked to preach at the groundbreaking of the Fellowship Hall of the Hamilton Street First Baptist Church; and

Whereas, Pastor Deatrick has also enjoyed recognition as a valuable member of the Wyaconda Lions Club; and

Whereas, Pastor Deatrick has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife of sixty-two years, Dora Mae Deatrick; three children, Linda, David, and Tim; seven grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in expressing our utmost appreciation to Pastor Deatrick for his many years of unparalleled service to Wyaconda First Baptist Church and to the Christian mission, and in wishing him the long, enjoyable retirement he so richly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Pastor Ernest Deatrick.

Offered by _____
Representative Brian Munzlinger
District No. 1

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3984, adopted July 12, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker

